

## **PRE-DEPLOYMENT AFGHANISTAN READING LIST**

### **TACTICAL LEVEL (E1 to E3)**

Afghanistan 101: Understanding Afghan Culture – Ehsan M Entezar (985.1 E61)

Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil and Fundamentalism in Central Asia – Ahmed Rashid (985.104 R224)

Afghanistan's Cave Complexes 1979 – 2004 – Mir Bahmanyar (Not Available)

Hezbollah: Born with a Vengeance – Hala Jaber (956.92 J11)

Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time – Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin (371.822 M887)

Culture and Customs of Afghanistan – Hafizullah Emadi (958.1 E53)

Jihad: The Rise of Militant Islam in Central Asia – Ahmed Rashid (958.0429 R224)

The Kite Runner – Khaled Hosseini (Fiction Hos)

A Thousand Splendid Suns – Khaled Hosseini (Fiction Hos)

Flashman: From the Flashman Papers, 1839-1842 – George MacDonald Fraser (Fiction Hos)

### **SMALL UNIT LEADERS (E4 to E6 & O1 to O3)**

Afghanistan 101: Understanding Afghan Culture – Ehsan M Entezar (985.1 E61)

Taliban: Militant Islam, Oil and Fundamentalism in Central Asia – Ahmed Rashid (985.104 R224)

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Hezbollah: Born with a Vengeance – Hala Jaber (956.92 J11)

Soldiers of God: With Islamic Warriors in Afghanistan and Pakistan – Robert Kaplan (985.1045 K17)

The Savage Wars of Peace: Small Wars and the Rise of American Power – Max Boot (335.033573 B725)

The Other Side of the Mountain: Mujahideen Tactics in the Soviet–Afghan War – Ali Ahmad Jalali and Lester Grau (958.1 J26)

Bear Went Over the Mountain: Soviet Combat Tactics in Afghanistan – Lester Grau (958.104 B368)

War in the Shadows: Guerrilla In History – Robert Asprey (355.0218 A843)

Afghan Guerilla Warfare: In the Words of the Mujahideen Fighters – Ali Ahmad Jalali and Lester Grau (958.1046 J26)

Through Our Enemies' Eyes: Osama bin Laden, Radical Islam, and the Future of America – Michael Scheuer (958.1046 S328)

Tactics of the Crescent Moon: Militant Muslim Combat Methods – H. John Poole and Ray Smith (355.42 P822)

Soldier Sahibs: The Daring Adventurers Who Tamed India's Northwest Frontier – Charles Alan (Not Available)

Reaping the Whirlwind: Afghanistan, Al Qa'ida and the Holy War – Michael Griffin (Not Available)

The Man Who Would Be King: The First American in Afghanistan – Ben Macintyre (958.103 M152)

Afghanistan: A Short History of Its People and Politics – Martin Ewans (958.1 E99)

### **OPERATIONAL/STRATEGIC PLANNERS (E7 to E9 & O4 to O6)**

Afghanistan: A Military History from Alexander the Great to the war against the Taliban– Stephen Tanner (958.1 T167)

The Fragmentation of Afghanistan: State Formation and Collapse in the International System, Second Edition – Barnett Rubin (958.1045 R896)

Descent into Chaos: The U.S. and the Disaster in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Central Asia – Ahmed Rashid (954.91054 R224)

The Soviet Afghan War: How a Superpower Fought and Lost – Russian General Staff (958.31045 R969)

The Battle for Peace: A Frontline Vision of America's Power and Purpose – General Anthony Zinni (372.73 Z78)

6 Nightmares: The Real Threats to American Security – Anthony Lake (Not Available)

Pakistan: Eye of the Storm – Owen Bennett Jones (954.9105 B471)

Hezbollah: Born with a Vengeance – Hala Jaber (956.92 J11)

Afghanistan's Endless War: State Failure, Regional Politics, and the Rise of the Taliban – Larry Goodson (958.1 G655)

The Punishment of Virtue – Sarah Chayes (958.1047 C572)

Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time – Greg Mortenson and David Oliver Relin (371.822 M887)

Learning to Eat Soup with a Knife: Counterinsurgency Lessons from Malaya and Vietnam – John Nagl (959.504 N149)

War in the Shadows: Guerrilla In History – Robert Asprey (355.0218 A843)

The Great Game: The Struggle for Empire in Central Asia – Peter Hopkirk (320.958 H797)

The Sole Spokesman: Jinnah, the Muslim League and the Demand for Pakistan – Ayesha Jalal (954.9042 J26)

War at the Top of the World: The Struggle for Afghanistan, Kashmir and Tibet – Eric Margolis (950 M329)

Afghan Guerilla Warfare: In the Words of the Mujahideen Fighters – Ali Ahmad Jalali and Lester Grau (958.1046 J26)

The Osama Bin Laden I Know: An Oral History – Peter Bergen (958.104 B495)

Imperial Hubris – Michael Scheuer (973.931 J34)

Ghost Wars – Steve Coll (958.104 C697)

The Village – Bing West (959.70443 W516)

Afghanistan – Louis Dupree (958.1 D942)

Flashman: From the Flashman Papers, 1839-1842 – George MacDonald Fraser (Fiction Hos)